



Scrophula

Its Cause

AND CURE.

What is Scrofula

The old soldier who participated in memorable battles will understand and appreciate more readily than the young man who had no personal experience in them, the scenes graphically described by the historian's pen and vividly portrayed by the artist's brush. So with reference to the terrible effects of Scrofula upon the human system—only those who have suffered with the disease in its severest forms, really know the misery which it produces. To all such, and also to all who suffer in any way from impure blood, this little treatise on "Scrofula, its Cause and Cure," must be of interest, and we ask you to

Read it Carefully.

There are three points to be made clear in writing upon the subject of Scrofula, viz.: The mode of its attack, the nature of its progress, and the structures which it involves.

1. The mode of its attack. Scrofula as a disease is as old as antiquity. It has been handed down from generation to generation, and, unlike many diseases which are subject to change, it is the same today as that which existed in early times. "Guided by this principle we may extend the use of the word Scrofula far beyond its ancient limits, without any fear lest the meaning of the term should become proportionately vague or indefinite." Scrofula unites in its iron clutches the two most dreaded diseases known to humanity,—consumption and cancer. It partakes of the concentrated form of the two active principles of both. On the one hand are the tuberculous deposits, and on the other the infiltration of the fibrous tissues accompanied with the

Burning Fever.

Scrofula may show itself at any time during life. It is most common in childhood and youth, and, when once established, if not properly treated, it is likely to always remain. Mothers who see in the faces of their little ones clearly-marked signs of this disease, fail of their mission if they do not at once stay its progress and remove all traces of its

origin by the use of Hood's Sarsaparilla. Though it is so common in childhood, yet at any time during life, the physical powers may flag and become so reduced that the disease, though never before suspected, may at once—Minerva-like—spring into existence fully equipped for its terrible work upon the system.

2. The nature of its progress. Starting with the ground-work of a scrofulous diathesis, we notice as one symptom of its progress,

Paleness and Transparency

of the skin, and general delicate constitution. The head seems larger than natural and the abdomen is prominent; the muscles are small and there is frequently difficulty in a free movement of the joints. All these symptoms may be present, or only a part of them, while on the other hand so treacherous is its onset that they may even all be absent and yet the disease remain latent in the system, waiting for the opportunity to make more marked manifestations. If the disease is not checked thus early in its development, symptoms will soon present themselves which cannot be mistaken.

The Glands

at first become enlarged and softened, eruptions on the head and face appear, frequently followed by inflammation of the eyes and nose. Soon the character of the glands changes, they increase rapidly in size, become hard to the touch, are painful upon the least pressure, the skin covering them becomes bright red in color, then of a deep purple or blue; it soon breaks, and develops into the well known and easily recognized Scrofula sore with all its painful and sickening results. At the same time that these local changes are going on, others of a more general character are adding their burden to make life miserable. The appetite is capricious, there is loss of flesh; sleepless nights, fretful disposition, lack of concentrated purpose; in fact, everything to make life miserable, and, as one sufferer has said, nothing to make life happy until

How Can it be Cured

Hood's Sarsaparilla "stepped between the living and the dead and the scourge was stayed!"

3. The structures which it involves. It is the question as to what structures were involved in an attack of Scrofula, that for so long time proved a stumbling block to the diagnosis and consequent treatment of this disease. It is now very generally conceded by all of our best medical writers that Scrofula may attack any one or more of the lymphatic or absorbent glands. This at once places at the disposal of the disease an almost unlimited line of attack. The system of lymphatics is a large net-work of tubing covering the entire frame-work of the body. It is of more importance than the skin, because it has not only outside openings but deep-seated connections. These organs vary in size from that of a mustard seed, to that of the liver, which is the largest organ in the body. Scrofula is not, therefore, confined to enlargement of the glands of the neck, but it may fasten itself anywhere in the body. We may as truly have a scrofulous enlargement of the liver as of the glands in the axilla or groin.

We Must Not Deceive

ourselves and think that because we do not detect the more prominent symptoms of this disease, that it is not present in our system, when certain unwritten indications lead us to suspect the presence of the enemy. One of the best evidences of the power of Hood's Sarsaparilla lies in the fact, that its use has sometimes driven from ambush Scrofula "pickets" whose existence was not even suspected.

For Scrofula in all its stages and combinations, Hood's Sarsaparilla has proven itself a medicine without a superior, or even an equal. When the disease has not progressed so far as to be absolutely beyond the reach of medicine, Hood's Sarsaparilla is reasonably certain if given a fair trial, to thoroughly eradicate every trace of Scrofula from the system. While thus by its powerful influence upon the blood, Hood's Sarsaparilla over-

comes and destroys Scrofula, it also builds up the patient, gives a good appetite, promotes digestion, gives a clear skin and a sound, healthy body.

Now, Prove It.

We make no claim regarding Hood's Sarsaparilla which we cannot fully substantiate. And for proof that Hood's Sarsaparilla can and does cure Scrofula, we refer to the statements which follow, and which are only a few of the many we have received, entirely unsolicited, from persons who, in the depth of their gratitude, have written us to tell what Hood's Sarsaparilla has accomplished for them. Every letter here given may be relied upon as strictly true, and we solicit the most rigid investigation by any who doubt or who wish farther particulars, asking only this — if you address a letter of inquiry to any whose testimonials follow, be sure to enclose stamp (or better, a stamped and addressed envelope) for reply.

In the Face and Eyes.

"Our little girl, nineteen months old, was troubled with Scrofula sores. Her eyes were in a terrible condition, and her nose all covered with scab. Physicians said they could not cure her. We commenced giving her Hood's Sarsaparilla and now, after using two bottles in the past three months, her face and eyes are clear of the sores, and her appetite has returned. We feel very thankful for finding so valuable a medicine as Hood's Sarsaparilla to save our child." J. A. GREY, 453 Miner Avenue, Stockton, Cal.

The Worst Type of Scrofula.

"My son was afflicted with the worst type of Scrofula, and on the recommendation of my druggist I gave him Hood's Sarsaparilla. Today he is sound and well, notwithstanding the fact that an M. D. said there was not enough patent medicine in Illinois to effect a cure." J. CHRISTIAN, Illinois, Ill.

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A Boy Saved

Terrible Sufferings from Scrofula Humor—Cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Nothing can cause greater agony to true parents' hearts than to see their little one suffering from an apparently incurable disease, failure following the trial of every remedy. And nothing can cause greater joy than the discovery and use of some reliable medicine like Hood's Sarsaparilla, which, as in the case reported below, overcomes the disease and restores the little one to health.

All Parents

whose children suffer from humors should read this statement. Mr. Ruby is a well known railroad man, running on the Pennsylvania Railroad between Columbia, Pa., and Philadelphia:

"I feel that I wish to tell what has been done for us and our little boy by Hood's Sarsaparilla. He is now six years of age, and, until a short time ago, has ever since birth been a terrible sufferer from scrofulous humor. Sores would appear on him and spread until they were as large as a dollar, and then discharge, only to be followed by others, so that the larger part of his body was one mass of sores all the time. The Scrofula was especially severe on his legs and back of his ears and on his head. His hair was so matted that combing was sometimes impossible. His ears became so thin that we could see through them, and were actually afraid they would drop off. His legs were so bad at times that

He Could Not Sit Down,

and it was impossible for him to run about and play like other children. Frequently when he tried to walk his legs would crack open and the blood start from different places. The humor had a very offensive odor, and caused intense itching, so that at night we had to tie his hands in mittens or stockings to prevent his scratching and tearing himself. We cannot tell how that poor boy suffered for nearly five years, nor how his terrible condition distressed us. We

did all we could to relieve him. Two or three physicians agreed in calling it scrofulous humor, but did not effect a cure. We tried salves and ointments and other things, but without benefit. At last I decided to give him Hood's Sarsaparilla, as my druggist recommended it to me for its success in such cases. In about two weeks the Sarsaparilla began to have effect. The sores commenced to heal up; the flesh began to look more natural and healthy. Then the scales came off, and all over his body new and healthy flesh and skin formed. When he had taken two bottles he was entirely free from sores, having only the scars to show where they had been. These are gradually disappearing. The little fellow was full of gratitude to Hood's Sarsaparilla when he found it was curing him, and he would call for "My medicine" when the time came for him to take it. We are unable to express our thanks for the good Hood's Sarsaparilla has done our little boy, and we recommend the medicine heartily. I am ready to answer any inquiries if accompanied by stamp for return postage." HARRY K. RUBY, Box 356, Columbia, Pa.

Here is Another

Remarkable cure, in which the positive effect of Hood's Sarsaparilla was shown:

"My adopted boy, fourteen years old, suffered terribly from Scrofula for eighteen months. He had running sores on his leg, which spread till they at one time formed one great sore from the calf of his leg up to his thigh, partially covered with scab and discharging matter continually. The muscles became contracted so that his leg was drawn up and he could hardly walk. We tried everything we could hear of, without success, until we began giving him Hood's Sarsaparilla. I bought a bottle of this medicine, and in just one month, after he had taken about two-thirds of the bottle, the sores were entirely healed up, his leg perfectly straight and he can walk as well as ever. Hood's Sarsaparilla is the best medicine I ever saw for scrofulous humor. It has done its work more than satisfactorily." WM. SANDERS, Rockdale, Milam County, Texas.

Glandular Swellings

Nothing Equal to Hood's Sarsaparilla—Health Improved.

A peculiar form of Scrofula is swelling of the glands of the neck, often forming large bunches, which are very disagreeable and unsightly. These bunches accumulate a quantity of foul matter, and have a weakening and depressing effect upon the general health. We give below a statement from a lady who suffered from this affection and was greatly benefited by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

"Hood's Sarsaparilla has done for me what the best medical treatment in this vicinity has failed to accomplish. My disease was an enlargement of the glands of my neck. The gland back of my left ear was swollen as large as a hen's egg, and the glands on my neck and collar bone were swollen to about the same size. I doctored and suffered for eighteen long months, and could find no relief in anything I tried. My

Whole Glandular System

seemed affected. I read in a book that similar cases had been cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla, and I decided to try it. I almost immediately found relief, and having now taken five bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla, I believe there is nothing equal to it for diseases of this kind. I have also used three boxes of Hood's Vegetable Pills and Hood's Olive Ointment with good results. I am now able to do my work, something I have not done for five years. The swelling of the glands has been reduced over half, and I intend to keep on taking the medicine till it is entirely gone. My general health has never been better than now. I most heartily recommend Hood's Sarsaparilla to all who may be suffering, and I know of six families who are using it by hearing how I have been benefited by it. Hood's Sarsaparilla has certainly done me great good." MRS. WILLIAM McDONALD, 94 North Street, Wooster, O.

Goitre.

"I suffered terribly with swellings in my neck, or goitre, and spent an enormous amount of money for medicines

and attendance in the effort to effect a cure, but all to no purpose. I became completely discouraged. Last winter I read in one of the Hood's Sarsaparilla pamphlets about Mrs. Anna Sutherland, of Kalamazoo, Mich., who had goitre, and who was greatly benefited by Hood's Sarsaparilla. I wrote to her to learn additional facts, and received an answer fully confirming the printed testimonial. I then commenced to take Hood's Sarsaparilla myself, and when I had taken two bottles found that my neck had been reduced in size two inches. I was so anxious to know the effect of the medicine that I used a tape measure every day. In a few weeks I found the swelling very much reduced, and I can breathe with perfect ease, which I have not done for years." MISS JENNIE ARMSTRONG, Crete, Ind.

Exchanging Good News.

"This certifies that I received a letter from Miss Jennie Armstrong, of Crete, Ind., asking if my testimonial in behalf of Hood's Sarsaparilla, which I had taken for goitre, was true; that I at once wrote her that it was, and sent particulars of the benefit the medicine did me. I have since received a letter from her thanking me very much for recommending Hood's Sarsaparilla, and stating that she also took it and was entirely cured." MRS. ANNA SUTHERLAND, 406 Lovel Street, Kalamazoo, Mich.

Sores in the Ears.

"In November last my little girl had running sores in her ear and on her face. We had previously used Hood's Sarsaparilla with good results, and gave it to her. One bottle entirely cured her. The sores healed up completely and she is in good health. We always keep it in the house." MRS. J. F. DOLBEARE, Pascoag, R. I.

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Ask your Druggist for one of

Hood's Cook Books

If he has none on hand he can easily get them.

Unable to Walk

For Over 3 Years — Scrofula and Hip Disease — Cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Below we give a frank, clear statement from a happy mother whose son seemed beyond human aid, but who was restored to vigorous health by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

"I desire to tell how much good Hood's Sarsaparilla has done my little son, Willie. When he was about 2½ years of age, he had a fall which, as some thought, brought on hip disease; but I always maintained that it was

Scrofulous Humor,

which seemed to settle in his right hip, and brought on weakness and lameness. Willie could walk all right till he was six years old. Then his hip gave out completely and he was unable to walk a step or bear his weight on his right leg. He was all run down in general health, weak and puny. The doctor advised us to take him to the Children's Hospital in Boston. We did so, and he was treated there for nine months, being all the time on an iron frame or stretcher. At the end of that time they told me at the hospital that

He Would Never Walk Again.

He was getting worse instead of better, and would be as well off at home. So we brought him home on the iron frame, and kept him on it nine months longer. He was perfectly helpless, wasting away, white as a sheet, and nothing but skin and bone. You could see every vein in his forehead and hands. Neighbors said, 'Mrs. Duff, I don't think you will have Willie very long.' And I said myself, if it was God's will to take him, I knew he would be better off. After Willie had been home about nine months, I was taken sick, and began to take Hood's Sarsaparilla for my blood. It helped me; and I also gave it to Willie, not expecting it would do him any good. But from the first dose it seemed to be

Just the Medicine

he needed. You cannot imagine my delight when I saw a great change for the better in my boy. We kept giving him

Hood's Sarsaparilla and he improved rapidly and gained in strength. When he came from the hospital he had four abscesses on his hip, all of which soon entirely disappeared and have not troubled him since. When he had taken two bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla he was able to stand alone, which he had been unable to do for over two years, and could go a long ways with the aid of crutches. His general health improved, he had a good appetite, and in a few months he weighed twice as much as when he came from the hospital.

"Seeing how much better he was, one day the doctor asked me what we had been giving Willie. I told him Hood's Sarsaparilla, and the doctor said: 'That's just what he wants.' In a short time Willie gave up his crutches, using only a cane, and soon after he could go all around without even that. We now send him to school and feel that we cannot say too much in praise of Hood's Sarsaparilla for what it has done for our boy." MRS. EMMA V. DUFF, Walpole Centre, Mass.

Fully Corroborated by a Leading Pharmacist.

"I have read Mrs. Duff's statement, which is correct to the best of my knowledge. The parties are reliable and procure their supplies of me." F. O. PILS-RURY, Pharmacist, Walpole, Mass.

Continues to Improve

A Later Letter — It Seems Like a Dream.

"WALPOLE, Mass., April 11, 1888.

"MESSRS. C. I. HOOD & Co.:

"I thought I would write you further particulars concerning my son Willie, about whom I sent you an account over a year ago. The improvement which began soon after he commenced taking Hood's Sarsaparilla continues. He goes to school every day and grows tall and stout. It seems like a dream when I see him around so smart every day after having him sick so long. We are very grateful to Hood's Sarsaparilla.

"Yours respectfully,

"EMMA V. DUFF."

A Fair Trial

Scrofulous Sore Neck Cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Our confidence in the curative powers of Hood's Sarsaparilla is such that all we ask is that it be given a fair trial, as we know that, as in the case below, it is reasonably certain to effect the desired results.

"My daughter Mary was afflicted with scrofulous sore neck from the time she was twenty-two months old till she became six years of age. Lumps would form in her neck, causing great annoyance, and two of them, after growing to the size of a pigeon's egg, broke and discharged. One became a running sore for more than three years. We thought we would give Hood's Sarsaparilla a thorough trial. We began with it in January, and in a few months, after she had taken five bottles, all suppuration ceased. We had then waited three months, when, as a new lump was beginning to form, we again gave her Hood's Sarsaparilla. After she had taken less than two bottles the lump and all indications of Scrofula had entirely disappeared, and now she seems to be a healthy child. We think very highly of Hood's Sarsaparilla for the success it has had in her case." J. S. CARLILE, Nauright, N. J.

Two Running Sores.

"I was severely afflicted with Scrofula, and for over a year had two running sores on my neck. Took five bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla and consider myself entirely cured." C. E. LOVEJOY, Tyler Street, Lowell, Mass.

Scrofula in the Head.

"Hood's Sarsaparilla saved my little girl. She had Scrofula humor very bad all through her head. Her left ear was covered with sores inside and outside, and there was one large running sore on her neck. We tried various methods of treatment without success. When she was all run down and sick abed, I gave up everything else and began giving her Hood's Sarsaparilla. It has healed all the sores, though she has taken but six

or eight bottles. This was two years ago and she has been well ever since." JOHN KITSelman, 5 Olive Street, Grand Rapids, Mich.

For Children—Impure Blood.

"If my testimonial, as a contribution, is one welcomed among the many that have been received for Hood's Sarsaparilla, then cheerfully do I recommend use of this medicine for children who may be suffering with boils, or any evidence that bad or poisonous blood is lurking in the systems of our little ones. The use of one bottle has entirely eradicated all evidence of impure blood from our baby boy. To view him now, is to see a boy that any parent may be proud of, and a most grateful acknowledgment of the curative properties of Hood's Sarsaparilla must be hereby given." A. M. BECK, Jacksonville, Fla.

Pimples and Scrofula.

"It gives me pleasure to say a few words about Hood's Sarsaparilla. I have been troubled with pimples on my face, but after taking one bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla my face is as free from them as can be. My brother has been troubled with scrofulous humor, and after taking two bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla he says it is the greatest blood purifier he ever used. A lady friend of ours, in Worcester, says she was all run down, discouraged, and had no appetite. A friend told her about Hood's Sarsaparilla. She began taking it and says it is the best medicine she ever used. Her appetite is good and she does not feel tired." EDNA M. BOWKER, Upton, Mass.

Hood's Pills

The great liver invigorator—a mild efficient cathartic, purely vegetable, unequalled as a family physic and dinner pill. Act on the stomach, liver, alimentary canal; cure Liver Complaint, Constipation, Nausea, Bilioussness, Headache, Indigestion, Sour Stomach, Distress after Eating, Jaundice. 25 cents; 5 boxes \$1. Sold by druggists or sent by mail on receipt of price by C. I. Hood & Co., Apothecaries, Lowell, Mass.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

*Is meeting with wonderful success everywhere,
Read the following facts in regard to it:*

First. What It Is.

Hood's Sarsaparilla is carefully prepared from Sarsaparilla, Dandelion, Mandrake, Dock, Pipsissewa, Juniper Berries, and other well-known vegetable remedies. The combination, proportion, and preparation are peculiar to Hood's Sarsaparilla, giving it strength and curative power not possessed by other medicines.

Second. What It Does.

Hood's Sarsaparilla cures Scrofula, Salt Rheum, Sores, Boils, Pimples, and all other affections caused by impure blood; Dyspepsia, Biliousness, Sick Headache, Indigestion, General Debility, Catarrh, Rheumatism, Kidney and Liver Complaints. It overcomes That Tired Feeling, and builds up the system.

Third. Its Economy.

"100 Doses One Dollar," is original with and true only of Hood's Sarsaparilla, and it is an unanswerable argument as to strength and economy. A bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla contains 100 Doses, and will average to last a month, while other preparations average to last but little over a week.

Fourth. Its Good Name at Home.

Hood's Sarsaparilla has met unparalleled success at home. In Lowell, where it is made, the druggists sell more of Hood's Sarsaparilla than of all other Sarsaparillas and blood purifiers. Prepared only by C. I. Hood & Co., Apothecaries, Lowell, Mass. \$1; six for \$5.